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REMARKS

Specification Objections

Applicant has replaced “recesses 312” in the paragraph [0026] with “slots 312” to remove the specification objection stated in the action.

Drawing Objections

Conforming to Examiner's suggestion, Applicant has added an enlarged view (FIG. 8) of the area of the protrusion 24 and submitted a modified FIG. 1 indicating the enlarged area marked by a circle. Thus, the objection to the drawings should be removed. Applicant has revised the specification correspondingly. Care has been taken such that no new matters are introduced.

Claim Objections

In the office action, Examiner points out that claims 1-19 are objected to because of the following informalities:

The numbering of the claim should be written with only numeral numbers.

It seems that “OLE_LINK2” in claim 2, lines 1 and 2 should be deleted.

Applicant thinks that the above-mentioned informalities may be bugs caused by electronic delivery. Now applicant doesn't know where these errors occurred in the original claims and accordingly doesn't know how to amend these claims, so applicant has rewritten all the original claims 1-19, as the present new claims 20-37. The new added claims introduce no new matter.

Claim 20 based upon the original claim 1, has been amended to include limitation of claim 2, which is allowable as advised by Examiner. As such, claim

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20 is now in a position of allowance. Issuance thereto is respectfully requested.

Claims 21-32, that are, original claims 3-14 are also believed to be allowable since they depend, either directly or indirectly, from independent claim 20.

Claims 33-35, that are, original claims 15-17 are also allowable as advised by Examiner.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112

Claims 18 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claim 18 recites the limitation "said two opposite end sections" in lines 9-10 and "the opening" in line 14. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim.

Claim 18 is re-presented in the present new claim 36 by applicant and is revised to define an insulative housing having two opposite end sections in claim 36, line 2. There is no new matter entered since such revises are supported by original claims. So there is sufficient antecedent basis for claim 36 in line 9 reciting "said two opposite end sections" limitation by such revises.

Additionally, claim 36 defines a corresponding opening in line 10. Therefore, there is sufficient antecedent basis for claim 36 in lines 11-12 reciting "the opening" limitation. Removal of these rejections to claim 36 under 35 U.S.C. 112 is respectfully requested.

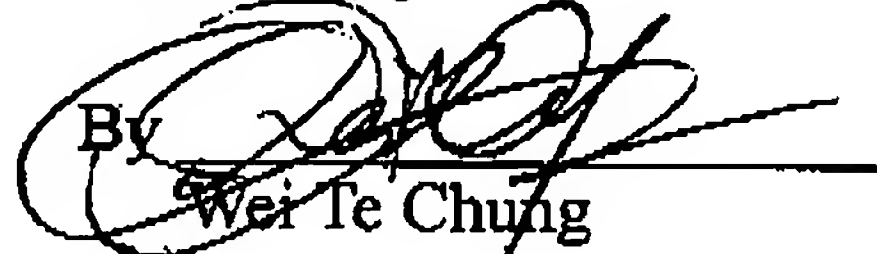
Claim 37, that is, original claim 19 is also believed to be patentable since it depends directly from independent claim 36.

In view of the above specification amendments, claim amendments, drawing

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amendments and remarks, the subject application is believed to be in a condition for allowance and an action to such effect is earnestly solicited.

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Annotated Sheet Showing Changes

